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This bill would allow ODE to withhold state funds from local school districts that don't meet their standard for climate change education. This would be another unfunded mandate on overburdened school districts. Do we really trust the ODE to have a fair and balanced approach on this issue?

Who would set the climate change education standards? Will you hire a climatologist to set these standards? Plenty of climatologists believe man-made climate change is a hoax. I doubt that anyone in the ODE is qualified to set standards or chose experts.